run a management development programme at the Institute with the support of this Ministry and in collaboration with five other Institutions in India.

(b) No, Sir.

(c) No, Sir. The programme at the Management Development Institute, Gurgaon, is proposed to be offered to officers belonging to the All India and Central Services as well as managers in public and private sector enterprises.

(d) Does not arise.

(e) The Indian Institute of Public Administration has already been entrusted with a large number of training programmes in management education including a 9 month long Advanced Professional Programme in Public Administration There is a need for more programmes. If the Institute comes up with any proposal for further strengthening, it would be certainly examined on merits.

(f) No, Sir.

(g) The programme is a self financing programme and MDI will charge tuition and bear the cost of the programme. The Ministry proposed to extend financial support for additional infrastructural facilities.

Suspension of U.S. Aid to Pakistan

636 DR. RATNAKAR PANDEY: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have precise information about the nature and extent of the proposed suspension of U.S. aid to Pakistan, as a reaction to Pakistani efforts to make nuclear bombs;

(b) if so, what is Government's information in this regard;

(c) how it is likely to affect Indo-U.S., Indo-Pak and U.S.-Pak relations; and

(d) the Government's reaction to these developments?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI K. NATWAR SINGH): (a) and (b) In accordance with U.S. laws, aid to Pakistan remains suspended from 1 October, 1987 for want of a fresh waiver of U.S. non-proliferation legislation. The previous waiver expired on the 30th September

(c) and (d) It is considered that the fact that the waiver has not yet been given has nothing to do with India's relations with either the United States or Pakistan. Rather, it is likely that the U S Administration awaits further Congressional deliberations before deciding on its future course of action. As for the effect upon US-Pak relations, it is not possible to assess this till the full picture emerges.

Clearance to Irrigation Projects of Maharashtra

637. SHRI VITHALRAO MADHAVRAO JADHAV: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) the number of medium and large-scale irrigation projects of the entire country which are pending with Central Water Commission for clearance;

(b) the number of such projects of Maharashtra which are pending with Central Water Commission or the Central Government for want of sanction; and

(c) by when those projects are proposed to be cleared?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF TEXTILES AND THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF WATER RESOURCES (SHRI RAM NIWAS

MIRDHA): (a) and (b) 109 medium and 129 major irrigation projects. Of these, 43 medium schemes and 23 major schemes are of Maharashtra State.

(c) The observations made by the Central appraising agencies need to be satisfactorily replied to by the State Governments prior to clearance, in addition to clearnce, where necessary, from the environmental angle and under the Forest (Conservation) Act.

Supply of Super Computer by the U.S.A.

638. SHRI KAPIL VERMA:
SHRI SOHAN LAL DHUSIYA:
SHRI RAM CHANDRA VIKAL:

Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether the U.S. has given any assurance about upgradation of the Super Computer being supplied to India presently or export of new model in future, if so, the details thereof;

(b) what terms and conditions have been laid down by the U.S. for the transfer of the Super Computer and what assurances have been given by India; and

(c) whether U S personnel will be deputed at the installed site for maintenance of the Super Computer and if so, the exact arrangement about their presence?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI K. NATWAR SINGH): (a) The Governments of India and USA have agreed to consult regularly to ensure that US Super Computer exports to India reflect the rapid pace of advancing technology and India's need for upgraded capability.

(b) As provided for under the Indo-US Memorandum of Understanding on technology transfer, the terms and conditions for the release of a Super Computer to India relate mainly to end-use, security and non-transferability.

(c) Indian and US technical experts (employees of the US manufacturer of the Super Computer) will provide guidance for maintaining the Super Computer. The manufacturer will perform the maintenance of the main Super Computer for a stipulated time period, in accordance with the contract to be concluded with the US manufacturer.

Hong Kong Residents of Indian Origin

639. SHRI KAPIL VERMA:
SHRI SOHAN LAL DHUSIYA:
SHRI RAM CHANDRA VIKAL:

Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Hong Kong residents of Indian origin have been reassured by China about their future in regard to their extensive business interests, once the British colony goes back to the Chinese main-land Government; and

(b) if so, details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI K. NATWAR SINGH): (a) and (b) The Sino British Joint Declaration on the question of Hong Kong, signed in December, 1984, envisages that the current social and economic system in Hong Kong will remain unchanged as will the lifestyle, for a period of 50 years after China resumes sovereignty over Hong Kong in 1997. There are approximately 20,000 persons of Indian origin resident in Hong Kong and mostly engaged in business. Per-